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PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY—Evening Session.

Rocky Mount, N. C., October 18, 1898.

The Baptist State Educational and Missionary Convention of North Carolina assembled with the First Baptist Church of Rocky Mount, in its thirty-first annual session, on Tuesday evening, October 18, at 7:30 P. M.

Rev. A. Shepard, D. D., called the meeting to order and presided.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. A. T. Thomas and Rev. J. D. Lyles, in the following order:

(1,) Sang hymn "I love thy Kingdom, Lord" (2) 23d Psalm was read; (3) Prayer was offered by Rev. G. W. Perry. Rev. S. Hicks, pastor of the First Church of Rocky Mount, in well chosen remarks, most cordially welcomed the Convention to the church and to the warm hearts and hospitable homes of his people.

Rev. B. B. Hill, of Asheville, replied to the hearty greetings of Rev. Hicks, saying among other good things: "The Baptist denomination stands for something. The history of the past, of the heroic struggles and achievements of our noble pioneers, all indicate that our great denomination stands for something—it stands for principles, grand and sublime. To represent them, we must now live for something. We come here to do something to strengthen and enlarge our great work."

Rev. C. C. Somerville, District Missionary, in an eloquent and stirring address, made the Convention doubly welcome to the commended hospitality of the city. To this splendid and polished address, Rev. R. H. Harris, of Roxboro, was called to reply, which he did in a most creditable manner.

The President then introduced Rev. H. Pair to preach the Introductory Sermon, assisted by Rev. A. Graves, of Danville. The sermon was preceded by singing hymn "There is a land of pure delight." Reading the first Psalm and prayer. Text used: John, 4:6, "I am the way." The subject discussed was: "Jesus, the way."

The sermon was warm, spirited and inspiring. The speaker said: "These were comforting words of Christ to His Disciples, indicating the Divine plan for the reclamation of man from his lost estate. Man was both lost and ruined. Christ provided the way of escape. He opened the door of mercy to redemption, to peace, and to holiness. We go to God only through Christ—other ways are false. He makes no empty claim in this text. Christ is indeed the way. We must come through Him as the way or be lost."

Rev. A. B. Vincent announced that Rev. A. Graves had received the sad intelligence of the serious illness of his daughter, and sought leave of absence for Rev. Graves, and solicited the sympathy and prayers of the Convention for the distressed brother.

Rev. Wm. Alexander, of Baltimore, Financial Secretary of the District Foreign Mission Convention, was introduced and made welcome to the courtesies of the Convention.

A collection amounting to $2.50 was taken, the doxology was sung, and the meeting closed with the benediction by Rev. A. Covington.

SECOND DAY—Morning Session.

The Convention assembled at 10:25 A. M., Rev. S. W. Dockery, Vice-President, presiding.

Devotional service was conducted by Rev. W. H. Moore and Rev. A. Whitted. "All things are ready, come," was sung, the 84th Psalm was read, and prayer was offered by Rev. Whitted.

The delegates were enrolled. (See roll.)

The followtng committees were appointed:

On Finance.—C. C. Somerville, T. S. Evans and A. T. Thomas.

On Officers.—J. J. Worlds, R. B. Tilley, S. W. Dockery, B. B. Hill, and I. M. Powers.

On Time and Place.—H. M. Maloy, J. D. Lyles, H. Pair, E. B. Blake and L. D. Moore.

On Ways and Means.—G. W. Perry, G. W. Moore, S. N. Vass, J. A. Whitted, W. T. H. Woodard, L. P. Martin and Thomas Parker.

On Education.—A. W. Pegues, R. H. Harris, S. G. Newsome, P. T. Hall and W. A. Jones.

The President, Rev. A. Shepard, addressed the Convention on the work as being done by it he spoke of the marked improvement noticed since the inauguration of co-operation. He said: Churches have been strengthened, pastors encouraged, and good effects can be seen everywhere throughout the State; much land is yet to be possessed. Co-operation means mutual helpfulness and a multiplication of influences, resources and ability for the glory of God." He recommended, (1) That co-operation be continued; (2) That more attention be given to ministerial education; that a day be designated for the collection of means to strengthen the Theological Department at Shaw University; (3) That some steps be taken for the care of superannuated ministers.

The recommendations were referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Rev. S. N. Vass offered a resolution recommending that steps be taken to have all the Associational Minutes printed together in one volume, with the State Convention Minutes.

The following committee was appointed on Temperance:

A. B. Vincent, I. M. Powers, A. W. Ivey, J. J. Hines, and M. T. Hawkins.

The meeting closed with the benediction by Rev. A. B. Vincent.

Afternoon Session.

The Convention opened promptly at 2:30, P. M., and Rev. W. A. Jones and H. M. Maloy were invited to conduct divine services.

The assembly sang "Soldier of Christ, arise," the 100th Psalm was read and prayer was offered by Rev. Maloy.

Dr. A. W. Pegues read a series of resolutions pertaining to the prosecution of Home and Foreign Missions and Education. These were referred to a special committee for consideration: viz., N. F. Roberts, P. F. Maloy, D. J. Moore, J. C. Williams and H. C. McDonald.

The Committee on Officers reported, (see list of officers) and it was adopted.

A telegram was received from Rev. A. Graves announcing the death of his daughter. The Secretary was ordered to send a telegram of sympathy to Rev. Graves.

A message was received from Rev. John E. White, Cor-

responding Secretary of the white Baptist State Convention, stating that the illness of his wife prevented his coming to the Convention.

A telegram was also received from Rev. G. W. Holland, of Winston, expressing his regret in being unable to attend the Convention.

"The best method of conducting the Home Mission Work," was discussed by brethren E. B. Blake, Thomas Parker and M. D. Mathewson; their remarks were good and full of practical suggestions.

The collection taken amounted to $1.36.

The meeting closed with the benediction by Rev. S. N. Vass.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention re-assembled at 7:30 P. M.

Praise service was led by Rev. S. L. Johnson and Rev. A. W. Ivey. "I love thy kingdom, Lord" was sung, the 67th Psalm read and prayer offered.

Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D. D., of New York, Rev. J. M. Armstead, of Portsmouth, Va., and Rev. S. L. Johnson, evangelist, were introduced to the Convention and made welcome to seats.

Rev. A. B. Vincent offered a resolution relating to Foreign Missions and the collecting of funds to carry on the same.

Rev. J. A. Jenkins made a few remarks, urging the adoption of Rev. Vincent's resolution. It was referred then to the Committee of Resolutions.

Rev. William Alexander, Corresponding Secretary of the District Foreign Mission Convention, was introduced to address the Convention. He presented the necessity for a District Convention in a masterly and convincing manner, and made a magnificent appeal for foreign missions. In his remarks he said: "As Baptists, we have history with us, the Bible with us, and numbers with us, and we must do this great work of evangelization or incur shame on our boasted claims. Co-operation is the proper idea. Our policy is, (1) co-operation with all existing Baptist organizations; (2) organization for work and not play; (3) the introduction of an honest system in our work; (4) to educate our people to give liberally and systematically for foreign missions. We need and must have money now to put our missionaries on the field; we

must be honest in handling God's money; many pastors take money for the heathen and use it at home."

A foreign mission collection was taken amounting to $50.50. Pledges to the same object were taken, which amounted to $365 00.

Prayer was made by Rev. J. M. Armstead, imploring divine favor upon foreign missions.

Rev. Dr. Roberts, managing editor of the "Baptist Sentinel," made an appeal to the brethren to support and aid in circulation of the paper.

The meeting closed with the benediction by Rev. Joshua Perry.

THIRD DAY.—Morning Session.

The Convention opened at 10 o'clock with the usual devotional exercises, led by Rev. P. F. Maloy and Rev. Spencer Thomas.

Rev. M. L. Kestler and Rev. Powell, (whites) were introduced and each made a few encouraging remarks.

Rev. T. S. Enworten, Principal of the Enfield Industrial and Agricultural Institute, was introduced and made a splendid address on Christian Education.

The Secretary was ordered to send a telegram of condolence to President C. F. Meserve, of Shaw, bereft of his companion.

Rev. J. A. Whitted, Corresponding Secretary, presented a very excellent annual report, showing the progress of the work under co-operation, the amount of money collected, and mission work accomplished. (See report.)

A motion was made to adopt the report, but the motion was finally deferred until after the address of Dr. Morehouse, to be delivered in the afternoon.

Rev. A. W. Pegues, Dean of the Theological Department of Shaw, delivered a very able and forcible address on Ministerial Education. He stated: "Nothing will be more helpful in uplifting the people than a faithful and a consecrated ministry. Ministers are to give to the people the Gospel. God never does for us what we can do for ourselves. You must know how to preach. If you don't know the way how can you blaze the trees. The only thing to save the colored people from infidelity and to the Baptist church is an intelligent ministry. Now,

when you license a man to preach, you ruin him, you unfit him for Sunday-school, prayer-meeting and the school house. Urge the young man aspiring for the ministry to go to school. We should support the Theological Department of Shaw. We must help men prepare for the ministry, as other people are doing.

"God does not call men now by thunder and lightning, but by us who are God's ambassadors. God wants drill masters all over the State, and not recruiting officers and stations."

Rev. J. A. Whitted offered a resolution designating the month of November (any Sunday in the month, convenient to church and pastor) to raise money to aid the Theological Department at Shaw University.

The resolution was approved and the meeting closed with the benediction, by Rev. J. L. Fenner.

Afternoon Session.

The Convention re-opened for business at 2:45 with praise service, led by Rev. P. Yancey and Rev. G. O. Bullock.

The Minutes of previous sessions were approved.

Rev. P. F. Maloy, Statistican, read an interesting report on Baptist Statistics. To make the reports of this kind more accurate, it was on motion agreed to require the District Missionaries to gather the statistics in their respective districts.

Rev. H. L. Morehouse, D. D, was introduced and addressed the Convention on the success of co-operation. He said: "I bring you the greetings of the American Baptist Home Mission Society. It is the intellectual mother of many of you. We rejoice in the progress which you have made in your work and churches. It is but a prophecy of what will be. It has been demonstrated that you are a success. I feel somehow that I am appearing before you for the last time. I have labored long and hard for you. I may go, but God will take care of His work. It does not depend on any one man, or ten men, but on God. What has been accomplished in the three years of co-operation? Your Secretary's report amply shows. Has anything like it been done in the years before? It has had a wonderful unifying influence on the people; the East and the West have been brought together. The plan of co-

operation is not perfect; it came from an imperfect source. Who can suggest a better plan? Co-operation is what we want—It is all in the air. We have had overtures from the National Baptist Convention to co-operate in sending missionaries to Cuba and Porto Rico. We shall likely do so."

A motion prevailed by an enthusiastic vote to continue co-operation for the ensuing three years.

Rev. R. I. Walden, D. D., requested permission to state his objection to the plan of co-operation as conducted during the past three years. The Convention heard him kindly.

The Corresponding Secretary's report, deferred in the forenoon, giving in detail the work done by co-operation, was heartily approved.

Elder Urgert, a veteran minister, now superannuated, made a few remarks.

A collection of $3.50 was taken.

The Convention closed with the benediction by Rev. W. H. Andrews.

Evening Session.

The Convention opened at 7:30 P. M. A warm praise meeting, continuing a half hour, was led by Rev. P. F. Maloy. Many persons took part and expressed gratitude to God for the benedictions which attended their labors during the year.

The President announced that Rev. J. M. Armstead would preach a special sermon, assisted by Rev. S. L. Witherspoon, alternate.

Hymn "Before Jehovah's awful throne" was sung, the 6th chapter of Matthew was read, and Rev. S. L. Johnson led in prayer; text: Matt. 6:10—"Thy will be done on earth." Subject: The will of God.

"The Lord's prayer has been and is still almost universally used—on lip of child and sovereign alike it is heard; all needed petitions are encouched in this wonderful simple prayer.

I. God's Will. What is it? His will is given in the Gospel, and manifested in the death of Christ.

II. God's will Executed on Earth. You cannot defeat God's will. When in His providence He decides to do a thing you cannot destroy God's will. In nature and providence God executes his will. Ministers are entrusted with

the execution of the same. Take God's word straight along.

III. The will of submission. We are to teach the people absolute submission to God's will; we must teach it in two ways; (1) by precept, and (2) by example.

IV. What will be the result of doing God's will? Righteousness will reign on earth. Let the ministry carry out God's will. The sermon was full of suggestions and practical spiritual knowledge, and was richly enjoyed by all. Prayer was offered by Rev. S. H. Witherspoon.

The Orphan Asylum work was presented by Rev. R. Shepard, and a collection was taken which amounted to $12.00.

The following telegram was received from Rev. C. H. Williamson, of Charlotte:

"Greetings—Co-operation our motto ever. Same missionaries and plans. Work on, God bless you."

A special committee was appointed to nominate members of the boards: viz., W. A. Pattillo, D. J. Moore, R. H. Harris, W. R. Mason, H. Pair, A. W. Pegues, M. D. Mathewson, J. W. Dew and W. A. Roberts.

The committee on place of next meeting recommended Newberne as the suitable place. The report was adopted.

A vote of thanks was tendered Rev. J. M. Armstead for his excellent sermon.

The benediction was announced by Rev. J. H. Dunston.

FOURTH DAY—Morning Session.

The Convention was called to order at 9:30 A. M., Rev. W. T. H. Woodard presiding.

Praise meeting was held for a half hour.

The controversy concerning the delegates from the Neuse River Association resulted in accepting the representatives as fraternal delegates.

A communication of greetings was received from the Roanoke Association, and the Corresponding Secretary was ordered to reply.

The Secretary was ordered to telegraph greetings to the Pennsylvania Baptist Convention, in session at Philadelphia.

The committee on Boards read its report. (See list of Boards.)

The committee on Education read its report and it was approved. (See report.)

A resolution of condolence expressing sympathy for President Meserve was passed, and a copy was ordered to be sent to the Baptist Sentinel and to Prof. Meserve.

Rev. A. B. Vincent addressed the Convention on the passage of the aforesaid resolution.

The President announced recess until 2:30 P. M.

Afternoon Session.

The Convention convened at the usual hour, 2:30 P. M., and opened with praise service, led by Rev. W. A. Roberts and Rev J. B. Barkley.

The house being ready for business, the committee on Ways and Means reported. (See report.) After some remarks urging the points recommended in said report, it was adopted.

Rev. J. C. Barker, Superintendent, was given permission to address the Convention on the proposed "Old Folks' Home," to be located near Raleigh. A collection was given him of $1.35.

Brethren S. N. Vass, A. B. Vincent and J. J. Worlds were appointed to investigate the merits of the "Old Folks' Home."

The committee on Finance made its report. (See report.) It was reported that a brother had squandered the representation fee of the Rowan Association of last year, ('97) for which Rev. L. H. Witherspoon had become security, and as the security was in no way responsible for the act, the Convention released Rev. Witherspoon from the obligation.

The Committee on Ways and Means recommended the organization of Woman's Societies to do home and foreign mission work as tributary to this Convention.

The recommendation was approved.

The report of the Treasurer was read and approved. (See report.)

Fraternal delegates were appointed to various Baptist organizations as follows:

American Baptist Home Mission Society, A. Shepard and C. S. Brown; American Baptist Publication Society,

Rev. G. W. Moore; District Foreign Mission Convention, C. S. Brown, A. Shepard, S. N. Vass, M. D. Mathewson, A. B. Vincent, C. C. Somerville, P. F. Maloy and other brethren who may find it convenient to attend.

State Sunday School Convention, A. Shepard and Thomas Parker.

Western N. C. Convention, G. O. Bullock.

Woman's State Convention, A. B. Vincent.

Tennessee Convention, B. B. Hill and R. E. Blake.

Virginia Convention, J. A. Whitted and S. Witherspoon.

South Carolina Convention, W. T. H. Woodard and P. F. Maloy.

A motion prevailed appropriating four dollars each on traveling expenses to the seven delegates named to the District Foreign Mission Convention to meet in Baltimore.

Benediction was pronounced and recess was given until 7:30.

Evening Session.

The Convention assembled promptly at 7:30 P. M., and opened with divine service conducted by Rev. D. J. Moore and Rev. H. M. Maloy.

Rev. S. N. Vass, District Secretary for the Southern States of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, addressed the Convention on the "Missionary Department of the Society." In his able statements of the Society's policy, he emphasized the following points:

1. The Society is distinctly and primarily a Missionary Society, having as its first great purpose the doing of missionary work.

2. It is also a Bible Society—the only Baptist Bible Society existing. It is doing invaluable service by spreading the Word of God. We are not afraid of the Bible, we are not afraid of the truth. The Bible proves our church history. We were established by Christ and the Apostles. Identification is the best proof; our policy is identical with the early church.

3. It is also a Sunday School Society. We organize Sunday Schools to teach the people God's word. The Bible is pre-eminently the Book of Life—it teaches us how to live.

A collection of ten dollars was given for the Society's work.

A resolution was adopted expressing thanks to the church, pastor and citizens of Rocky Mount for their hospitality.

The Committee on Temperance read its report, and it was heartily approved.

The Committee on State of the Country read its report. After some discussion and recommendations it was approved.

The Statistican was allowed five dollars for service.

The business of the Convention being completed, "God be with you 'till we meet again" was sung, and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. R. I. Walden, D. D., and the Convention adjourned to meet in Newberne, N. C., in 1899.

A. SHEPARD, *President.*

C. S. BROWN, *Rec. Secretary.*

REPORTS OF FINANCIAL OFFICERS.

Disbursements for Conventional Year, October 20, 1897, to October 1, 1898.

To Orphan Asylum, per Rev. R. Shepard.....$	33 56
C. S. Brown, Recording Secretary..... ..	15 00
Donation Ebenezer Baptist Church, Charlotte...	15 00
Dr. A. Shepard, traveling expenses	9 00
Rev. W. A. Pattillo, per Dr. N. F. Roberts.....	3 00
L. G. Jordan, Corresponding Secretary National Baptist Convention	10 85
A. S. Dunston, Missionary	29 00
Capital Printing Co.....	25 00
First Baptist Church, Fayetteville.....	8 00
A. L. Sumner (*Headlight*).....	5 00
Baptist Church at Oxford.....	10 00
C. S. Brown, traveling expenses to Board meeting	9 80
M. T. Hawkins, on account of Board meeting...	3 50
Edwards & Broughton, printing *Baptist Review*	17 50
Expenses of delegates to Washington, Dec. '97	25 25
Printing and distributing Minutes	47 50
Mailing circulars	8 85
Capital Printing Co.....	10 00
District Foreign Mission Convention..... .	50 00
For box of literature, etc.....	3 60
Rev. O. B. Alston	5 40
American Baptist Publication Society.....	10 10
Shaw University.....	25 00
Baptist Sentinel.....	94 00
Rev. J. A. Whitted, Missionary.....	433 88
Rev. C. C. Somerville, "	275 00
Rev. A. B. Vincent, "	289 00
Rev. P. F. Maloy, "	290 00
Rev. D. J. Avera, "	46 66
Rev. A. S. Dunston, "	47 67
Rev. G. O. Bullock, "	50 93
Rev. A. Ellis, "	68 00
Rev. J. J. Scarlett, "	39 50
Rev. D. J. Moore, "	70 40

Printing for Institutes	$ 17 20
Railroad expenses for Institute lecturers	64 47
Incidental expenses	9 75
Bibles	48 85
Office rent	33 00
Stationary Corresponding Secretary	19 31
Foreign Missions	150 00
P. F. Maloy, Statistician	5 00
C. C. Somerville, as Reporter	5 00
Joshua Perry	4 00
F. R. Wallace, Missionary	15 00
Sexton of church, Charlotte	2 50
G. W. Holland	2 50
Capital Printing Co	10 00
Stamps for circular letters	1 25
Total disbursemeuts	$2,472 78
Deficit for the year	7 98

Respectfully submitted.

A. W. PEGUES, *Treasurer.*

MONEY SENT UP FROM CHURCHES FOR SHAW UNIVERSITY, 1897.

FOR SHAW—GENERAL.

Cedar Grove Baptist Association, Yanceyville	$ 5 00
Nazareth Baptist Sunday School, Asheville	5 00
Baptist Sunday School Convention, Louisburg	14 00
Johnston Baptist Association, Wilson	4 00
Johnston Baptist Association, Wilson	5 00

FOR THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT.

New Hope Baptist Church, Gates county	2 50
Rev. Cæsar Johnson, Raleigh	1 00
Harroldsville Chapel, W. B. Sharp	3 00
Wake Forest Baptist Church, H. T. Cook	3 00
Mt. Level Baptist Church, Creedmoor, J. N. Taylor	1 00
New Ahoskie Baptist Church, Ahoskie, W. P. Sharp	2 56
Cedar Grove Baptist Church, J. F. Ham	2 00
Cedar Grove Baptist Church Sunday School, C. A. Pollock	50

Baptist Church Convention, J. A. Whitted	$ 25 00
First Baptist Church, Winston, G. W. Holland	3 14
Manasseh Chapel, Franklinton, A. Brodie	1 05
Wakefield Baptist Church, G. W. Perry	1 25
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, Harroldsville, W. P. Sharp	3 50
St. Paul Baptist Church, Tarboro, M. D. Matthewson	4 90
Baptist Church, Franklinton, A. W. Pegues	1 00
Morehead Baptist Sunday School, Morehead City, T. S. Evans	50
Winn's Grove Baptist Church, Harrellsville, W. P. Sharp	1 50
Meltonsville Baptist Church, White's Store, N. Huntley	47
Michael Creek Baptist Church, G. O. Bullock	1 50
Stovall's Baptist Church, Stovalls, G. O. Bullock	2 07
Long Baptist Church, Kittrell, J. F. Burrell	61
Flat Swamp Baptist Sunday School, Idaho, N. B. Dunham	64
Dallas Baptist Church, Dallas, J. F. Humphrey	1 00
New Bethel Baptist Church, Rolesville, G. W. Perry	1 50
Liberty Baptist Church, Youngsville	1 02
Baptist Church, Kittrell, D. J. Avera	1 15
P. F. Maloy, Greensboro	2 00
Populao Springs Baptist Church, Goodman	4 00

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE EDUCATIONAL AND MISSIONARY CONVENTION FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 1, 1898.

Receipts.

On hand October 25, 1897	$2 95 75
For Foreign Missions, per A. B. Vincent	5 22
Baptist Church, Kernersville	4 95
Baptist Church, Magnolia	1 50
Baptist Church, Cedar	30
Rev. J. A. Whitted	201 01
Rev. C. C. Somerville	626 02
Rev. A. B. Vincent	527 54
Rev. P. F. Maloy	461 00
Rev. D. J. Avera	47 67
Rev. G. O. Bullock	34 50

Rev. A. Ellis	$ 35 78
Rev. J. J. Scarlett	27 01
Rev. D. J. Moore	48 88
Rev. A. S. Dunston	47 67
For Rev. J. O. Hays (Africa)	100 00
Total receipts	$2,464 80

Contributions of Churches, Sunday Schools, mission societies, associations, conventions and individuals for the conventional year 1898, ending October 31:

COLLECTIONS FROM NOV. 1, 1897, to NOV. 1, 1898, P. F. MALOY, MISSIONARY.

November, 1897.		
7th.	Dallas church	$ 2 50
	Gastonia church	2 51
9th.	Institute (Dallas)	16 69
15th.	Parson's Grove, Silersville	6 00
	Parson's Grove Sunday School, Silersville	1 45
20th.	First Baptist church, Wadesboro	4 00
28th.	Elizabeth, Monroe	2 10
December, 1897.		
1st.	Institute (Monroe)	20 22
5th.	Pine Grove, Waxhaw	2 00
	Ephesus, Waxhaw	1 00
11th.	Newhope, New London	2 55
13th.	Institute at New London	7 22
January, 1898.		
2d.	West End, Winston	1 00
	Mt. Pleasant, Winston	1 00
9th.	Rising, Winston	81
	New Bethel, Winston	1 00
	Mt. Zion church	1 25
4th to 6th.	Institute (Greensboro)	13 09
16th.	Madison	3 50
	Madison Sunday School	51
23d.	First Baptist Church, Winston	5 00
25th.	Institute (Winston)	17 00
February, 1898.		
6th.	High Point	2 01
	High Point Sunday School	1 00

13th.	Salisbury, Mt. Zion	$ 1 23
	Salisbury, Mt. Zion Sunday School	1 30
	Dixonville Sunday School	5 00
14th.	Woman's Mission Society	60
15th.	Institute, Salisbury	28 18
20th.	Emaus, Statesville	1 25
	Woman's Mission Society	1 30
	St. John's, Statesville	45
March, 1898.		
10th.	Randleman church	6 00
	Institute, High Point	16 07
	Thomasville church	4 02
13th.	Charlotte, First Baptist Church	3 01
21st.	Dallas church	1 00
27th.	Paw Creek	4 01
	Mt. Carmel, Bidles,	1 25
	Friendship, Charlotte	2 10
	Institute First Church, Charlotte	7 00
April, 1898.		
3rd.	Liberty Church, Trinity	4 00
10th.	Macedonia, Taylor's	1 55
19th.	Institute at Statesville	13 53
20th.	Dixonville Sunday School, Salisbury	5 00
25th.	Kernersville Church	2 60
May, 1898.		
1st.	Springfield, Stanley	4 60
	Springfield Sunday School, Stanley	50
	Bethel church, Mt. Holly	3 05
	Washington church, Waco	3 82
	Washington Sunday School, Waco	50
	Providence, Greensboro	2 10
	Monroe church	70
	Monroe church, Woman's Society	1 00
	Mt. Zion, King's Mountain	1 00
	Ebenezer, King's Mountain	4 65
	Ebenezer Sunday School, King's Mount	1 00
	Bessemer City church	1 66
	Mt. Moriah, Matthews	2 81
	First Baptist Sunday School, Charlotte	11 28
	First Baptist Church, Charlotte	6 40
	Ebenezer Sunday School, Charlotte	2 11
	Friendship Baptist church, Charlotte	78
	Institute First Church, Charlotte	18 95

June, 1898.

First Baptist Church, Reidsville	84
First Baptist Church, Ruffin	85
Jones Chapel	1 60
Leaksville church	2 15
Ebenezer, Blanch	2 41
Ebenezer Sunday School, Blanch	1 00
High Street Church, Milton	1 42
New Haven Church, Milton	.87
Locust Grove, Britton's	2 00
Sunday School Convention, Reidsville	10 00
Institute, Reidsville	19 69

July, 1898.

First Baptist, Hendersonville	2 50
First Baptist, Asheville	2 01
First Baptist Sunday School, Asheville	80
Mt. Zion, Asheville	4 17
Institute, Asheville	18 43
Mass Meeting, Stanley	17 00
Flat Rock church	3 45

August, 1898.

First Baptist, Salisbury	10 25
Institute at Flat Rock	8 00
Mt. Sinai and Catawba Association	5 25
Mt. Sinai church	4 00
Cedar Grove Association	2 30
Shiloh Association	8 00
Mud Creek Association	5 00
Rock Hill church	2 05
Yadkin Crove church	3 75
High Point church	4 00

September, 1898.

Gold Hill Association	5 10
St. Panl, Gastonia	1 35
Institute at Dallas	12 15
New Bethel, Winston	1 25
Mt. Zion, Winston	3 25
Mt. Zion Sunday School, Winston	2 00
First Baptist, Winston	1 61
Ebenezer Association	10 00
First Baptist, Blacksburg, S. C	2 00

October, 1898.

Second Concord church	5 91
Yadkin Association	15 65
Zion Association	11 26
Madison church	4 00
Institute at Madlson	21 21

REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY AND GENERAL MISSIONARY.

To the Educational and Missionary Convention of North Carolina.

DEAR BRETHREN :—As your Corresponding Secretary and General Missionary, I hereby submit for your consideration, my second annual report as General Missionary and a general report of the work of co-operation in North Carolina, for the three years contemplated in the plan terminating with the month of October.

While in some respects we have not accomplished all we had hoped for and earnestly desired, yet we take into account our inexperience, the condition of the field in which we labored, and the opposition which would naturally arise with such a change of plan of work.

We congratulate ourselves and the brethren who have contributed so much to the success of the work.

When the plan was first suggested, we saw, as we thought, many complications and features which would meet objections, but we have been agreeably surprised to see how extensively the plan has been understood and how favorably received by the churches and individuals.

Indeed, I think it can be truly said where the churches have been left to themselves to decide upon the merits of co-operation, their opinions have been exceedingly favorable, and their acknowledgments often an inspiration to those engaged in the work.

Our missionaries in the past year having better understoon the work than in the two previous years, have labored earnestly and faithfully, and their work is teiling throughout the State.

They have labored not only to the end for present achievements and results, but for the future, while our reports will show an increase in collections and work done

as compared with last year. We have many reasons to look forward with very bright hopes in connection with the work for the future.

We have tried to lay stress on systematic work and systematic giving; and while it may require years to bring about a system in all our churches and organizations, yet our progress in some of them is quite encouraging. Co-operation has given quite a stimulus to the development and improvement of the ministry of our State.

It has evidently awakened the churches to see as never before the need of an educated ministry; it has awakened the ministers to better prepare themselves to meet this need.

Some of the pastors who have held charges in this State a number of years have come and connected themselves with Shaw University, others are coming, and many who cannot come realize the importance of fortifying themselves with better libraries, and paying more attention to the preparation of their sermons.

We have labored zealously to increase the attendance at Shaw University and our other schools in different sections of the State.

We have tried to impress the importance of children of Baptist parents attending Baptist schools.

Like representatives of other denominations, we have gone into the homes of our people and sought quality for our schools as well as quantity. How well we have succeeded, the first day of opening of Shaw University is in evidence.

As compared with the first day of last year, the increase is seventy-five per cent. larger, and only three of the young men were assigned to the lower departments.

We do not take all the credit to ourselves, for the efficiency of the work done in the University, and the unusual activity of some of the Professors; I mention Drs. Pegues and Roberts in particular, have added greatly to this great result.

Our Board has endeavored to reach every section of the State in its work for the past year.

To do this they have used every dollar available in the employment of local Missionaries. They have thus very wisely expended nearly four hundred dollars.

For a part of the time they have secured the services of the following brethren:

Rev. D. J. Moore for the Southern section of the State, Revs, A. S. Dunston and J. J. Scarlett for the East, Revs. G. O. Bullock and A. Ellis for the West, and Rev. D. J. Avera for the Northern.

The results of their work were far beyond the expectations of the Board, going into many localities which had not been reached by the District Missionaries.

The Board considered itself fortunate in securing the services of such faithful Christian brethren, for everywhere their work is commended.

The Board has not only tried to carry on the work in North Carolina on the Home field, but by their direction considerable stress has been laid upon the importance of supporting our Missionaries on the foreign fields.

As a result more than two hundred dollars have been raised in our churches and among individuals, and sent to aid our Missionaries in Africa.

By your direction, and for the sake of economy in the prosecution of our work in African Missions, North Carolina, with other States, met in the city of Washington and organized a District Foreign Mission Convention, and we will not only have the honor of introducing its first Corresponding Secretary, Rev. W. M. Alexander, of Baltimore, but its President, one of our own men, Rev. C. S. Brown.

Everything looks bright for the work of Foreign Missions.

I give below a list of churches and organization which contributed to the work of Co-operation and Missions during the past year.

J. A. Whitted, *General Missionary.*

Wake County Missionary Union	$	5 00
Goldsboro		9 00
Franklinton		2 00
Phillippi		3 00
Cedar Grove		3 00
St. John's		2 00
James City		2 70
First Baptist Church, Weldon		5 00
Rocky Mount		12 00
Burlington First Baptist Church		3 00
Halifax		6 00
Jackson		4 00

Reidsville	$ 5 50
Oxford	3 00
Rich Square	2 00
Chapel Hill	6 08
Greenwood	14 00
Hillsboro	70
Monroe	4 70
Laurinburg	3 56
Stovall	8 16
Pleasant Plains	10 00
Greensboro	2 00
Shiloh Association	10 00
Rowan Association	15 00
Graham	2 54
Rev. Sandy Fenner	3 00
First Baptist Church, Winston	2 00
First Baptist Church, Charlotte	8 00
Warrenton Baptist Church	3 94
Littleton	2 00
Pine Chapel	4 45
Neuse River Association	5 00
Rev. C. H. Williamson	5 00
Mr. E. J. Young	2 50
Rev. A. Ellis	50
Lumberton	70
St. Stephens	5 00
First Baptist Church, James City	2 70
South Winton	5 00
Sandy Plain	4 00
Mt. Olive	4 00
Kenansville, Eastern Association	10 00

EASTERN DISTRICT—C. C. SOMERVILLE, Dist. Miss.

St. Willis, Goldsboro	2 50
Sandy Run, Jacksonville	1 25
Patterson's Chapel, Kinston	2 11
First Baptist, Kinston	3 00
Lisbon Street	7 00
Sandy Branch	3 34
First Baptist, Kelford	4 00
St. Elner Zion Bethlehem (Josh)	17 00
First Baptist, Murfreesboro	1 00
Nebo Chapel	2 25

First Baptist, Murfreesboro	$ 1	25
First Baptist, Murfreesboro, Institute	21	16
Pleasant Plains	3	63
Jordan's Grove	2	26
St. Paul, Tarboro	2	00
Phillippi		20
White Oak		53
Hayes Chapel	1	00
Sycamore Hill	4	00
Spring Garden Institute	35	49
First Baptist, Hertford	2	25
New Bethel	2	05
New Haven	1	02
New Holly Grove	3	00
West Roanoke Union	3	00
Milton's Grove	2	00
Olive Branch	2	25
Corner Stone Sunday School	1	00
First Baptist, Hertford, Institute	45	42
Gale Street	5	00
Baptist church, Kinston	1	00
Greenville	1	50
St. Paul	1	51
Sycamore Hill, Greenville, Institute	9	89
First Baptist, Rich Square	4	02
Jordan's Grove	1	11
Phillippi	2	50
Mill Neck	2	04
Murfreesboro	2	50
First Baptist, Kinston, Institute	28	10
First Baptist, Kelford		61
Zion Grove	1	88
Conacanary		75
Ahoskie, Second Baptist	3	90
Chapel Hill	2	10
Subscriptions	7	00
First Baptist, Severn	4	04
Nebo Chapel	3	02
Second Baptist, Potecasi	3	25
New Haven	2	85
Jordan's Grove, Waters' Institution (Institute)	104	00
St. Mathews		80
Subscriptions	2	50
Hall's Chapel	1	00

Grove street	$ 1 00
Grove Hill	50
St. John's, Long Creek	60
Friendship	6 03
St. Mathews	2 16
Mt. Pisgah Institute	50 00
First African Baptist	3 30
Red Hill, Missionary Day	17 0
Grove Hill Institute	10 11
Mt. Pleasant	1 69
First Baptist, Goldsboro, Institute	27 07
First Baptist, Powellsville (Mission Day)	10 15
St. John's Sunday School	56
Mt. Shiloh	2 03
Cedar Grove Sunday School	80
St. John	1 16
First Baptist, Beaufort	97
Kenansville Sunday School Convention, Foreign and Home Missions	7 62
Lisbon street	6 30
Long Creek	1 10
North-east Cape Fear Sunday School Convention, Foreign and Home Missions	10 00
Mt. Shiloh, James City, Institute	33 87
Bayboro Union Meeting	84
St. John	3 06
Six Runs Piny Grove church	3 07
Six Runs Piny Grove Sunday School	2 08
First Baptist, Halifax	6 23
Warrenton Baptist	1 25
St. Paul	75
Mill Branch	35
First Colored, Rich Square	3 12
Zion Hill	2 50
First Baptist, Tomahawk	8 00
Tomahawk Sunday School	1 00
Keithan's Chapel	76
Aulander	1 00
Union	1 05
Subscriptions	1 50
West Roanoke Association	7 52
Old Eastern Association	14 28
Bear Creek Association	6 25

Subscriptions	$ 1 75
Middle District Association	10 00
Gibsonville church, Rev. S. Thomas	93
Burlington church	4 90
L. M. Dunham (through N. B. Dunham, for Foreign Missions)	1 10
Peter McLouchlin	1 05
Baptist church, Oxford, Rev. W. S. Patillo	2 30
Huntsville church, Rev. Mitchell	3 50
Institute at Graham	16 07
Irelong church, Rev. Jeff. Burwell	15 00
Antioch, Rev. W. A. Patlllo	1 05
Shiloh church, Rev. T. H. Burwell	3 00
Kittrell church, Rev. O. J. Avera	3 00
Institute at Oxford, Rev. W. A. Patillo	60 34
Seaboard, Rev. H. Clements	1 08
Zion Hill, Rev. W. H. Show	1 98
Miss Sallie Harris	1 00
South Street Baptist Church, Rev. Alexander	2 11
Weldon Institute, Rev. S. Hicks	16 01
M ss Emma Washington	50
Mt. Olive, Winn's Chapel, Rev. Davis	30 54
Seaboard church	55
Rev. H. Pair	3 19
Faison church, Rev. Thomas Parker	1 64
St. Mathew's church. Rev. H. Pair	2 67
Wilmington, Ebenezer church	1 11
Wilmington, Shiloh church, Rev. W. R. Slade	15 31
Institute at Elm Grove, Rev. S. Thomas	20 05
Miss Mary Raynor, Raleigh	1 00
Falling Run church, Cumberland	2 00
Juniper Level church, Rev. Wm. Elerbee	1 58
Mass meeting at Rolesville, Rev. G. W. Perry	5 49
New Hill Church, Rev. C. D. Hackney	1 00
Apex church, Rev. J. H. Dunston.	45
C. H. Gaines	25
Watt's Chapel, Rev. Millard Jones	50
Institute at Method, Rev. Wm. Ellerbee	13 20
Shotwell chapel, Rev. H. Pair	30
Malaby's Cross Roads, H. Pair	1 12
Wilson Sunday School Convention	2 10
Mrs. Aisley Rankins Brown, Summit	2 12
High Point Association, Rev. S. Thomas	10 00
Cedar Grove Association, Rev. A. Groves Daniel	10 00

Baptist church, Franklinton, Rev. A. W. Pegues$	2 80
Locust Grove church, Rev. Thomas	13 74
Shiloh Association, Rev. I. Alston	8 00
Shiloh Association, Foreign Missions	5 00
Shiloh Association, State Missions	3 00
Wake Association, Rev. Joseph Perry, Foreign Missions, $16.81 ; State Missions, $12.50	29 31
Ebenezer church, Blanche, Rev. G. R. Wilson	12 00
Reedy Creek Association, Rev. Mayes	3 00
Wake Baptist church, Rev. Robert Jones	2 11
Miss Anna Montague, Mrs. Tobiotha Foster	50
Institute at Sandy Plains church, Rev. D. J. Moore	26 24
New Hope Association, Rev. Colwell	5 22
St. Mark's church, Robeson county, Rev. H. Carmichael	2 10
Pedee Association, Rev. D. N. Jackson, Foreign Missions	5 00
Institute Lumber Bridge, Rev. H. C. McDonald	30 11
Union Association, Rev. N. B, Dunham, Foreign Missions	5 00
Union Association Sunday School, State Missions	5 00
Mrs. Alice Faison, Rev. Thomas Parker	1 06
Elm City	1 78
Johnson Association, Rev. Wm. Ellerbee	5 00
Institute at Pleasant Grove Rev. N. B. Dunham	32 06
Lumber River Association	10 00
Sandy Grove church	1 15
Ashpole church	3 10

WESTERN DISTRICT—G G. BULLOCK.

Smith's Grove,	$2 23	Lenoir, no church,$	1 55
New Zion,	2 25	Morganton,	1 00
Ebenezer S. S.,	2 30	St. Paul, Gastonia,	5 00
Friendship,	18	Lincolnton,	35
Emaus, Statesville,	2 30	Shelby,	39
St. John's, do	75	Mt. Holly,	90
Macedonia, Taylorsville,	3 85	Dixonville, Salisbury,	6 00
Third Creek,	60	Mt. Zion,	4 01
Hickory,	2 85	Macedonia,	50
		St. Luke,	1 00

CENTRAL DISTRICT—D. J. AVERA, *Missionary.*

Bap. church, Ridgeway,	$ 1	30	Lawson Chapel,	$ 1	27
Bap. church, Warrenton,	3	20	Rev. J. B. Cozart,		50
Mt. Pleasant, Vance county,		31	Rev. W. D. Smith,		25
Manson Bap. ch.,	1	41	Bro. Lee Jeffreys,		25
Buckston Bap. ch.,		36	Bro. W. A. Hollaway,		25
Cook's chapel,		86	New Providence ch.,	1	60
Spring Green,	2	67	Bap., Kittrell,	1	00
Second Bap., Littleton,		50	Institute at Cittrell,	13	60
Enon Bap., Littleton,	1	35	Mr.s Martha Blacknall,	2	00
Mt. Olive,	1	15	Mrs. N. B. Grandy,	1	00
Jones Chapel,		85	Mr. Henry Toole,		25
Mineral Spring,		72	Mr. Charlie Thorpe,		25
Union Temple,		75	Deacon S. Grandy,		25
Creedmoor,	1	50	E. Cedar Grove Baptist Association.	5	00
			First Bap. Roxboro,	2	09
			Mill Hill Baptist,	1	00

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER, 31, 1898.

On hand Oct. 25th, 1897, $295.25.

COLLECTIONS SEPT. 30TH, 1898.

J. A. Whitted, $211 08; C. C. Somerville, 657 12; A. B. Vincent, 606 06; P. F. Maloy, 520 08; D. J. Avera, 43 24; C. O. Bullock, 34 50; A. Ellis, 33 78; J. J. Scarlett, 27 01; D. J. Moore, 48 88; A. S. Dunston, 47 67; African Missions, Raleigh, 100 00. Total, $2,624 67.

Disbursements.—J. A. Whitted, salary and expenses, $488 88; C. C. Somerville, salary and expenses, 313 64; A. B. Vincent, salary and expenses, 314 00; P. F. Maloy, salary and expenses, 327 00; D. J. Avera, salary and expenses, 46 66; A. S. Dunston, salary and expenses, 47 67; G. O. Bullock, salary and expenses, 50 93; A. Ellis, salary and expenses, 68 00; J. J. Scarlett, salary and expenses, 39 50; D. J. Moore, salary and expenses, 70 40; printing Institute, salary and expenses, 17 20; R. R. expenses Lects. Inst., 76 95; incidental expenses, 9 75; Bibles, 48 85.

General Items.—Shaw University, $25 00; traveling expenses Brd., 15 30; office rent, 34 00; stationery Cor.

Sec. 19 31 ; African Missions, 200 00 ; P. F. Maloy, Statistican, 5 00 ; C. S. Brown, Rec. Sec., 15 00 ; C. C. Somerville, reporter, 5 00 ; Joshua Perry, 4 00 ; Sexton, church Charlotte, 2 50 ; C. L. Davis, Ebenezer Bap. Church, 15 00 ; A. Shepard, and W. P. Patillo, expenses 73rd meeting, 11 50; A. S. Dunston, balance for mission work, 29 50 ; A. M. Publishing Society, 10 10 ; L. J. Jordan, Cor. Sec., 10 85 ; O. B. Alston, 5 25 ; Orphan Asylum, 33 56 ; expenses delegates to Washington, 25 25 ; Edwards & Broughton, 17 50 ; Headlight, 5 00 ; Capital Printing Co., Minutes, 47 50 ; Capital Printing Co., Minutes, 45 00 ; F. W. Wallace, 15 00 ; mailing circulars, 8 86 ; freight box literature, 3 61 ; G. W. Holland, 2 50 ; Oxford Baptist Church, 10 00 ; Fayetteville Church, 8 00 ; Baptist Sentinel, 94 00.

We rejoice, however, that the work already done commends itself. Had the Institute work done more than unite our brethren as it has, and given them a better knowledge of each other and of our institutions and work, that of itself would have been worth the money expended.

Meetings, such as have been held in different sections of the State, bringing more than six hundred of our ministers and thirty thousand of our laity together, each year, instructing and receiving instruction on the doctrines of the Bible, church history, practical church work, etc., gives a precedence to the colored Baptists of North Carolina, such as they have never had before, and awakens in them a pride and spirit of loyalty worthy of the great Baptist denomination.

We give below a synopsis of the work done during the past eleven months, and following a synopsis of the three years' work up to Sep. 30th, 1898.

J. A. Whitted, General Missionary, weeks of service, 48 ; Institutes attended, 32 ; sermons, 60 ; addresses, 130 ; churches visited, 87 ; miles traveled, 17,511.

Central District.—A. B. Vincent, Missionary, weeks of service, 48; Institutes visited, 15 ; sermons, 40; addresses, 96 ; churches visited, 76; miles traveled, 4,480.

D. J. Moore, Missionary, weeks of service, 12 ; Institutes attended, 2 ; sermons, 37 ; addresses, 27 ; churches visited, 25 ; miles traveled, 760.

D. J. Avera, Missionary, weeks of service, 8 ; Insti-

tutes attended, 1 ; sermons, 27 ; addresses, 16 ; churches visited, 19; miles traveled, 867.

Western District.—P. F. Maloy, Missionary, weeks of service, 48 ; Institutes attended, 14 ; sermons, 127 ; addresses, 101 ; churches visited, 85 ; miles traveled, 5,913.

G. O. Bullock, Missionary, weeks of service, 8 ; Institutes attended, 1 ; sermons, 30 ; addresses, 13 ; churches visited, 17 ; miles traveled, 861.

A. Ellis, Missionary, weeks of service, 12 ; Institutes attended, 1 ; sermons, 23 ; addresses, 8 ; churches visited, 27 ; miles traveled, 612.

C. C. Sumerville, Missionary, weeks of service, 48 ; Institutes attended, 11 ; sermons, 11 ; addresses, 114; churches visited, 125 ; miles traveled, 6,378.

Eastern District.—A. S. Dunston, Missionary, weeks of service, 8, Institutes attended, 2 ; sermons, 40 ; addresses, 15 ; churches visited, 40 ; miles traveled, 478.

J. J. Scarlett, Missionary, weeks of service, 12; Institutes attended, 0 ; sermons, 18 ; addresses, 8, churches visited, 429 ; miles traveled, 429.

Synopsis of work for the two years and eleven months, the years ending Sept. 30th.

Eastern District.—C. S. Brown, Gen'l. Missionary, weeks of service, 52, Institutes attended, 25; sermons, 122 ; addresses, 127 ; churches visited, 23 ; miles traveled, 13,-878.

J. A. Whitted, Gen'l Missionary, weeks of service, 156 ; Institutes attended, 37; sermons, 241, addresses, 462; churches visited, 277 ; miles traveled, 42,723.

C. C. Somerville, Missionary, weeks of service, 97.5 ; Institutes attended, 25; sermons, 202 ; addresses, 224 ; churches visited, 143 ; miles traveled, 12,810.

A. S. Dunston, Missionary, weeks of service, 20; Institutes attended 3 ; sermons, 51; addresses, 69 ; churches visited, 40 ; miles traveled, 1,881.

J. J. Scarlett, Missionary, weeks of service, 12 ; Institutes attended, 0 ; sermons, 23 ; addresses, 8 ; churches visited, 7 ; miles traveled, 429.

Central District.—A. B. Vincent, Missionary, weeks of service, 156 ; Institutes attended, 43 ; sermons, 213 ; addresses, 498 ; churches visited, 178 ; miles traveled, 16,344.

D. J. Avera, Missionary, weeks of service, 8; Institutes visited, 1; sermons, 27; addresses, 16; churches visited, 19; miles traveled, 867

Western District.—P. F. Maloy, Missionary, weeks of service, 148; Institutes attended, 49; sermons, 344; addresses, 315; churches visited, 191; miles traveled, 18,843.

F. W. Wallace, Missionary, weeks of service, 12; Institutes attended, 0; sermons, 20; addresses, 25; churches visited, 35; miles traveled, 1,500.

G. O. Bullock, Missionary, weeks of service, 8; Institutes attended, 1; sermons, 30; addresses, 13; churches visited, 17; miles traveled, 861.

A. Ellis, Missionary, weeks of service, 12; Institutes attended, 1; sermons, 37; addresses, 27; churches visited, 25; miles traveled, 700.

In addition to the above the Board employed Rev. Joshua Perry for about fifteen months as a Missionary Pastor to labor in one of the suburban churches of Winston.

They are quite anxious to do more work of this kind. Morganton is especially inviting for work of this kind, and quite a number of similar places. They recommend for the next year that several brethren be employed to hold small charges and do mission work in connection with the charges.

God has wonderfully blessed the work and the men engaged. Although many times exposed in trying to prosecute the work, He has sustained them and they have been untiring in their efforts to push the work.

By comparison it may be observed that in the past year, for African Missions and local Missionaries a sum of money has been expended just double the amount raised for all purposes in any year preceding the co-operation. This comparison is made with the largest sum realized in the previous history of the Convention.

For all purposes the amount raised this year is just eight and a half times as large as the greatest sum realized in the previous years of the Convention.

Can it be doubted that co-operation is a blessing? It may be well we have increased our annual collections; for the women in their Convention have realized two hundred and sixty-nine dollars, a sum equal to the amount our brethren raised before co-operation began. Your Secretary tried to present at the sitting of the Convention the

amounts contributed by all the Baptist organizations. If the brethren in the Associations and other organizations will kindly forward Minutes to the Secretary it may be easily known.

Although without laws of enforcement where it is definitely known what the Baptists give, it will be found to be little behind amounts given by other denominations.

By your direction our Board has established the Baptist Sentinel to take the place of the Baptist Quarterly.

For the past year it has been published monthly, eight pages of original matter; but your Board is prepared to recommend that it be published weekly, with two pages of original matter and the other six pages be made up of patent matter and advertisements. This will give the same or more original matter a better opportunity to secure advertisements, better suited to the needs of most of our readers, and with a cost but little more than the monthly.

The Board extends many thanks to the editors of the different departments, and recommend that they continue on the editorial staff.

They are especially grateful to Dr. Roberts, the business manager, who has given so much of his valuable time to make the Sentinel what it is everywhere acknowledged to be—the best paper published in the State.

We give below his report for the Baptist Sentinel:

Amount received for advertisements		$ 33 00
Amount received for subscriptions		73 97
Dr. A. W. Pegues, Treasurer,		94 00
		$200 97
Paid Edwards & Broughton	151 05	
Postage, stationery and help	11 80	
	$162 85	
Balance on hand,		5 12
Balance due on bills,		18 00

Sept. and October numbers to be settled for advertisements due the paper.

That co-operation in the State has met some objection, we admit, and it could not be a good work unless it did. But if we will make a careful investigation we will find in almost every instance it is due to some designing leader disappointed in not having a coveted place in the work.

We do not say this is true in every instance; some may differ honestly, but the vast majority and the best element of our brethren are highly in favor of co-operation.

Our white brethren who have contributed so cheerfully and so liberally, have already expressed their willingness to enter upon another three years with their money and assistance, just as they have already done. They want it emphasized that in no way do they wish to dictate in the prosecution of this work, but to come and assist us only as the colored brethren find it a necessity.

As we see it, brethren, their motives can be none other than pure and good. They feel that no expenditure which they make bears richer results.

In concluding this report I attach a clipping from the Home Mission Monthly.

CO-OPERATION IN THE SOUTH—GREAT GAINS.

In North Carolina and Alabama this is the third year of co-operative work, while the second year in Virginia and South Carolina is just drawing to its close. The first year was introductory and somewhat experimental; the second year furnished strong evidence of the value of this plan, and the third year will unquestionably furnish a complete demonstration of its incomparable superiority to the old methods and order of thing among the colored Baptists of these States. They are unified as never before; conventions are more orderly and earnest in sober discussion of great questions: higher ideas concerning the functions of a Convention, as well as of the church, the ministry and the individual member, have been set up; more intelligent and well directed effort than ever before is being put forth; the ministry has been stimulated to better work, and the churches are demanding better preaching; attention is being devoted to systematic giving; the bonds of Christian fellowship between the two races have been greatly strengthened; educational and missionary interests have been promoted, and a hopeful feeling is everywhere in the air because of the emerging of colored Baptists from their former chaotic condition in their organized efforts. They earnestly desire that the plan of co-operation in its essential features may be continued, inasmuch as only a good beginning has been made.

The New Era Institutes have proved a great blessing both to pastors and the people. During the past year, in

the four States of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Alabama, reports show that 192 Institutes were held, with an aggregate attendance of 2,883 ministers and a general attendance of 70,034. The aggregate number of white lecturers were 256. The colored missionaries and other educated colored brethren have also delivered numerous lectures. To estimate the far-reaching influence of such stimulating agencies as these in the plan of co-operation, is utterally impossible. The contracting parties to the plan engaged to prosecute it at least for three years. Such have been its benefits, and such is its promise, and so strong is the feeling that God in in His good providence has brought Baptists of the North and South, both white and black, together in the blessed service, that the Home Mission Society would be pained, while the colored Baptists would mourn, were the relationship sundered.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. WHITTED,
Cor. Sec'y and Gen. Miss'y.

Places.	C. Lectures.	W. Lectures.	Ministers P.	A. C.	M. Col.
Hilly Branch	3	2	15	800	$ 25 12
Washington	3	1	13	1000	35 49
Winston	3	2	12	900	17 10
Hertford	4	2	14	800	45 42
Salisbury	5	0	10	1000	28 18
Graham	3	2	14	500	17 07
Greenville	3	1	8	600	
High Point	4	2	14	800	
Ilong	5	1	6	1000	13 90
Oxford	4	3	28	1000	60 34
Kinston	3	0	13	500	29 10
Charlotte	4	2	10	800	
Weldon	4	4	22	1000	16 01
Winston	6	1	18	900	104 00
Statesville	5	1	10	400	13 63
Elm Grove	3	1	10	1000	20 00
Charlotte	8	3	23	1000	39 00
Wilmington	7	1	21	800	14 20
Goldsboro	4	1	9	500	26 40
Asheville	3	1	9	500	26 40
Sandy Hill	3	0	12	500	
James City	4	1	26	1000	
Method	3	1	12	500	
Kittrell	2	0	15	700	15 00
Murfreesboro	4	2	15	800	21 16
Mt. Pisgah	3	1	16	700	50 00
Grove Hill	2	2	12	700	
Wadesboro	3	2	20	800	
Blount St., Raleigh	12	9	56	1100	70 54
Fayetteville	2	1	20	800	
Monroe	4	2	17	600	
Flat Rock	2	0	9	600	
Wakefield	2	0	8	500	
Reidsville	4	2	18	1000	
Dallas	4	1	12	700	
Pennington's Mills	2	0	9	300	
Greensboro	5	3	14	700	
Burgaw	4	1	12	500	
Mt. Olive	4	2	12	800	
Windsor	4	1	14	800	
Clinton	3	1	7	300	

The Institute work for the past year has awakened a much greater interest than in the two preceding years. This is due in part to the work being much better understood, and the subjects discussed were suited to the churches.

Many of the brethren, while acknowledging the courses of lectures for the past three years to have been excellent in arrangement, and suited to the needs of the ministers and churches, yet suggest a few changes for the Institute work for the future. We truly hope they will kindly submit these changes before the committee appointed by the Convention and the matter may be satisfactorily adjusted. To meet the needs and requirements of all, can hardly be expected.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Committee on State of the Country presented the following resolutions as its report:

"WHEREAS, The people of North Carolina are going through a heated and most bitter political campaign, and the prejudice between the races is being greatly excited; and whereas, politicians and partisan papers are daily aggravating the passions of the people by inflammatory remarks and utterances, menacing the peace and welfare of our commonwealth, be it

"*Resolved*, 1. That we deplore the efforts put forth to enrage the races against each other, and appeal to the God-fearing people of the State to pray that the God of peace will control the passions of the people for the general good of our citizenship.

"2. That we appeal especially to the colored people, our people, to refrain from all violence, restrain themselves from excessive anger, and avoid provoking race conflict.

"3. That we appeal to our leadership to exhort our people to be calm, moderate and self-possessed under strained circumstances.

"4. That copies of these resolutions be sent to the press of the State with a request to publish the same.

S. N. VASS,
A. B. VINCENT,
C. S. BROWN,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

We your committee beg to submit the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That it is the duty of our ministers, churches and associations to use all possible influence to send all Baptist young men and young women to Baptist schools.

2. That we especially rejoice in the effieiency of our various Baptist schools in the State. We commend to the

Baptists of the State as worthy of their patronage, Shaw University, Waters' Institute, Shiloh Institute, Girls' Training School, Franklinton; Neuse River Institute, and such other Baptist schools as are located in various parts of the State.

3. That we feel that Shaw University is the great Baptist educational center to which all our boys and girls should ultimately go.

4. We renew our allegiance to the Theological Department of Shaw University, and promise it our undivided support.

We also recommend to the Educational Board to formulate some plans to raise money to support some teacher in the Theological Department at Shaw University.

5. That we call upon the Trustees of Shaw University to give all possible attention to strengthening the efficiency of the Theological Department of Shaw University.

A. W. PEGUES, *Chairmon.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE.

We your committee beg permission to recommend that the next session of this Convention be held with St. John's Baptist Church, Newbern, Rev. L P. Martin, pastor.

H. M. MALOY, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

WHEREAS, The evils of intemperate living are so frequently in evidence among our people, and the Scriptural injunction (I Cor. 9, xxvii) "Keep my body and bring it under subjection," is the Christian standard of temperance; and whereas, unrestrained appetite in eating and drinking and dress dominate so large an element in our church and home life, therefore be it

Resolved, That this Convention place itself on record as favoring and encouraging total abstinence from alcoholic drinks and tobacco, and urgently recommend that extravagant and non-economical habits of living be discouraged everywhere and in every honorable way, both by precept and example.

A. B. VINCENT, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Resolved, That a day be set apart for prayer and col-

lections for the Theological Department of Shaw University.

Resolved, That churches be and are hereby requested to meet togther at the beginning of each year and make pledges, including Home and Foreign Mission work and appoint committees in the churches of male or female or both to collect these pledges and forward the same to the Corresponding Secretary of the Convention.

Resolved, That the Corresponding Secretary be and is hereby directed to arrange suitable blanks for all the churches, and send them out two months previous to each setting of the Convention, such blanks to include Convention funds, Home and Foreign Missions, Christian and Ministerial Education, Orphan Asylum and superannuated ministers.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. PERRY,

Chairman Committee on Ways and Means.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We your Committee on Resolutions recommend the following resolutions:

Resolution 1.

Resolved, That this Convention looks with approval upon the project of several members of this body looking forward to the organization of the Ministerial Benefit Association of North Carolina, the object of which is to provide for the aged and infirm ministers of our State; and if the plans of such contemplated organization are practical and Christian, to recommend the brethren to give it their support.

Resolution 2.

Resolved, That our Recording Secretary is requested to secure and publish in the Minutes an abstrsct of the officers, work, and statistics of each Association in the State, and ask each Association to assist in the cost of its publication.

Resolution 3.

WHEREAS, It has pleased God in His wise providence to take to Himself Mrs. Abbie W. Meserve, the wife of President Charles F. Meserve:

Resolved, 1. That we deeply sympathize with President Meserve and his daughter in their bereavement, and com-

mend them to God, our Father, who doeth all things for the good of His children, and who is abundantly able and willing to strengthen and comfort them.

2. That we recognize in Mrs. Meserve a woman of noble Christian character, sweet disposition, and of healthy and helpful influence among the students of our school, Shaw University. A. W. PEGUES.

Resolution 4.

Resolved, That this Convention set apart and designate the second Sunday in November as a day of prayer for the Theological Department of Shaw University, on which day one collection be raised in each church for said department, and the amount realized be forwarded to the Presideut of the University, designated "For the Theological Department."

Resolution 5.

Since the Publication Society has done a great missionary work in this State, and is still supporting missionaries, making grants and publishing most excellent literature at the cheapest possible price:

Resolved, That we endorse the Society as usual, and recommend our churches and schools to cheerfully contribute to its work.

Resolved, Also, that we endorse the literature of the Society and recommend that they continue its use.

S. H. WITHERSPOON,
S. N. VASS,
W. H. HARRIS,
M. D. MATHEWSON.

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.

WHEREAS, The Educational and Missionary Convention of North Carolina, assembled with Mt. Zion Baptist Church, of Rocky Mount, has been so hospitably entertained by the pastors, Revs. Hicks and M. D. Mathewson, together with their congregation and other churches.

And whereas, everything done by the Committee on Entertainment has been conducive to the fullest comfort and pleasure of the delegation:

And whereas, we have been brought into closer touch with the citizens of this progressive and growing town, whom to know is to respect and love, therefore be it

Resolved, That we extend to them our sincerest thanks

for their hospitality and benevolence, and we shall always pray God's richest benediction upon them.

We hereby extend our expression of gratitude to the choir for the choice and sweet music they dispensed from time to time. Respectfully submitted,

C. C. SOMERVILLE.

STATISTICAL SECRETARY'S REPORT.

(CONDENSED.)

Baptist Organizations in the State: Baptist State Educational and Missionary Convention; The Western Baptist Convention (beyond the Blue Ridge); The Baptist State Sunday School Convention; The Western Baptist Sunday School Convention (beyond the Blue Ridge); The Western Baptist Sunday School Convention (east of the Blue Ridge); County and District Sunday School Conventions throughout the State, and thirty-nine Associations.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

Whole number of churches	1,190
Ordained ministers	765
Baptized during the year	8,076
Total membership reported	145,000
Number of Sunday Schools	726
Officers and teachers	2,260
Number of Sunday School scholars	61,872

General financial report, as gathered from Associational reports:

For State Missions	$ 1,559 25
Foreign Missions	306 70
Home Missions	908 15
Bible and Publication Work	230 00
Education	491 00
Total	$ 3,495 10

If the secretaries of the various Baptist organizations would send me promptly each year a copy of their minutes, this report could be made more accurate.

P. F. MALOY, *Statistician.*

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

State Convention Fund.—Old Eastan Associatton, $23; Middle District ditto, 10; Cedar Grove ditto, 14; Pee Dee ditto, 14; West Roanoke ditto, 29.10; Missionary Newbern Easton ditto, 5; Wake ditto, 18; Johnston Baptist ditto, 17; Middle ditto, 7.50; Mt. Zion ditto, 1; Lana's Creek Union ditto, 8; Kenansville ditto, 19 05; Union, 9; Lake Waccamaw ditto, 3.50; Yadkin ditto, 8; New Hope ditto, 19; Mt. Zion church, 1; Warsaw Baptist church, 1; First Baptist, Fayetteville, 1; First Baptist Asheville, 1; Little Zion, 1; Haywood, Ingleside, 1; Jackson chapel, 1; Ebenezer Baptist, Charlotte, 1; Gethsemane, Sutton, 1; Riley Hill, Hickory Grove, 1; St. Matthew, Raleigh, 1; Wakefield, Wakefield, 1; New Bethel, Roseville, 1; Mt. Bright, Hillsboro, 1; Mt. Pleasant, 1; First Baptist, Raleigh, 1; First ditto, Charlotte, 1; First ditto, Oxford, 1; J. A. Whitted, 1; J. W. Dew, 1; W. R. Mason, 1; Robert Shepard, 1; A. W. Thomas, 1; C. C. Somerville, 1: D. J. Moore, 1; W. O. Roberts, 1; George B. Blacknall, 1; Rev. F. Burnell, 1; A. S. Dunston, 1; J. H. Jenkins, 1; S. N. Vass, 1; G. R. Morris, 1; Rev. A. J. Jackson, 50 cents; public collection, 1.36; public collection, 3.48; P. F. Maloy, 1.

Foreign Missions.—West Roanoke, $7.40; Warsaw Baptist church, 2; Franklin Baptist church, 1; Foreign Mission, to W. M. Alexander, 50.50.

Orphan Asylum—Collection for orphans, $2.20.

FOREIGN MISSION PLEDGES.

E. B. Blake, $5; C. S. Brown—Personal, 10; New Hope, 5; Phillippi, 5; Pleasant Plain, 5; Mt. Moriah, 5; P. F. Maloy, 5; J. J. Hines, 5; A. B. Vincent, 5; S. N. Vass, 5: A. W. Pegues and church, 20; A. Shepard and church, 25; S. Hicks and church, 10; H. S. Maloy, 5; W. H. Moore, 5; R. Shepard, 5; Mrs. R. Shepard, 2; H. Pair, 10; G. O. Bullock and church, 5; J. C. Williams and church, 5; G. G. Maggott and church, 5; W. H. Moore, 5; R. B. Tillery, 5; S. L. Johnson, 25; S. C. Dixon, Raleigh, 5; C. C. Lawson, 2.50; Luke Martin, 5; W. W. Watson, 5; W. H. Harrison, 10; M. C. Ransom, 5; O. D. Eewards, Weldon, 5; J. D. Lyles, 10; C. C. Somerville, 5: T. H. Burwell, 5; R. Harper, 10; S. Thomas, 10; R. Harris, 10; Mrs. Harris and daughter,

5; S. W. Dockey, 10; H. C. McDonald, 5; S. G. Newsome, 5; S. Jeffreys, 2; W. R. Mason, 5; M. D. Mathewson—St. James, 5; St. Paul, 5; Mary's chapel, 5; J. J. Hines and church, 5; E. M. Croom, 3; W. A. Roberts, 2.50; Thos. Parker, 5; A. Covington, 2.50; B. B. Hill, 5; N. F. Roberts, 5; G. W. Moore, 5; J. L. Fewell, 2; G. R. Morris, 5; W. B. F. Kornegay, 5; I. M. Powers, 2; I. M. Powers, 2; W. A. Pattillo, 20; D. J. Moore: 2; A. P. Eaton, 5; Josiah Perry, 2; P. Yancey, 5; Mt. Vernon, 5; R. C. Corrall, 5; Yoakim Association, 10; A. J. Jackson, 2.50; T. L. Evans, 5; R. E. Blake, 3; W. A. Jones, himself, 2.50; Friendship chapel, 2.50; Mt. Pleasant, 2.50; Clayton, 2.50; A. W. Kennedy, Durham, 1; J. H. Hull, Durham, 1; Mrs. Mamie Armstrong, 50 cents; J. W. Wood, 5; ministerial education, 5; N. B. Dunham, 2.50; J. H. Dunston, 5; S. R. Puravell, Halifax, 2.50; A. Shepard and church, 25; P. F. Maloy, 5; C. S. Brown, 5; R. Shepard, 5; ministerial education, 2; Dr. Roberts, 5; J. A. Whitted, 5; C. C. Somerville, 5; J. W. Wood, 5; S. Thomas, 5; H. M. Maloy, ministerial education, 1; S. Hicks, 5; M. V. Hawkins, 5; W. R. Masan, 5; C. C. Lawson, 1.50; T. H. Burwell, 5; J. D. Lyles, 5; W. Harrison, 5; P. R. Tyson, 5; G. W. Moore, 5; S. W. Dockery, 10, educational, 5; A. W. Ivey, 5; W. T. H. Woodard, 5; G. O. Bullock, 5; J. J. Hines, ministerial education, 5; N. M. Dunham, 2.50; A Mitchener, 2; S. Jeffries, 2.

CONSTITUTION OF BAPTIST CONVENTION OF NORTH CAROLINA.

We, the ministers and delegates from various Baptist churches in North Carolina, met in the town of Goldsboro, N. C., on the 1st day of October, 1897, for the purpose of considering the propriety of entering into some general organization for our mutual improvement, and the diffusion of the principles of the Gospel, and agreed to the following rules of fundamental principles:

(*Revised October 20, 1898.*)

Article I.

This Convention shall be known as "The Baptist Educational and Missionary Convention of North Carolina."

Article II.

It shall be the object of this Convention to encourage and assist Shaw University and other Baptist schools approved by this Convention, to educate young men called of God to the ministry and approved by the church to which they belong, to encourage education among all the people of the State, to support the Gospel in all destitute sections of the State, to send the Gospel to Africa, to encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and sound religious literature, to assist Baptist churches in the erection of suitable houses of worship, to encourage the proper care of indigent orphan children and destitute and aged ministers of the Gospel, and co-operate with the Foreign Mission Convention of the United States and the American Baptist Home Mission Society.

Article III.

Section 1. This Convention shall be composed of Baptist Associations of North Carolina, regular Baptist churches, and all Baptist societies of a missionary nature or character, and members of good standing in regular Baptist churches.

Sec. 2. Any member may become a life member by the payment of $5, and an annual member by the paymeut or

$1. Any Association may be represented by the payment of 50 cents per church, and may send one delegate for every ten churches or fraction thereof. Any Baptist church in good standing may be represented by the payment of $1. Ministers in charge of regular Baptist churches in the State will be considered honorary members.

Article IV.

Section 1. The officers of this Convention shall be a President, a Vice-President for each Association represented, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Statistician, Auditor, a Home Mission Board, Foreign Mission Board and an Educational Board, of each of which the President, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer shall be *ex officio* members; the Corresponding Secretary of the Convention shall be the Secretary of the various Boards.

Sec. 2. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Convention, and sigh all orders upon the Treasurer. One of the Vice-Presidents shall perform the same duties in the absence of the President.

Sec. 3. The Recording Secretary shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Convention. He shall prepare intelligence for the press, making appeals and statements in behalf of the Convention. He shall prepare the minutes for the press; his stationery and postage must be furnished by the Convention.

Sec. 4. The Treasurer shall hold all moneys and valuable bonds and notes belonging to the Convention, and shall pay all orders for money signed by the President and Rec. Sec'y. His books shall be open for inspection by any member of the Board of Managers. He shall keep an accurate account of all donations, and shall give such bond as the Board of Managers may determine. He shall present quarterly reports to the Board and annual reports to the Convention.

Sec. 5. The Corresponding Secretary shall take charge of the correspondence of the Convention with other bodies and corporations. He shall report to the Board of Managers at their meetings, and report all contributions received. The money from all churches, associations and societies must be sent to him.

SEC. 9. The Auditor shall, before each annual meeting of the Convention, examine carefully the receipts, disbursements, vouchers, papers and books of the Treasurer, and his certificate to the facts in the case shall be attached to the Treasurer's report.

ARTICLE V.

SECTION 1. The Home Mission Board shall be located at Raleigh. This Board shall secure and hold the title to any and all property belonging to the Convention. They shall employ missionaries, appoint their fields of labor and fix their salaries.

SEC. 2. The Foreign Mission Board shall be located at Rocky Mount, and ahall have the supervision of the collection and disbursement of all Foreign Mission funds. They shall be empowered to employ such means as will most efficiently and effectively reach the churches, and that will bring in the greatest amount of money for the foreign field.

SEC. 3. The Educational Board shall be located at Greensboro. Its power in collecting and disbursing educational fnnds shall be similar to that of the Home and Foreign Mission Boards in their specific fields of work.

SEC. 4. Each Board shall elect its own treasurer. Each Board shall annnally render to the Convention an accurate account of their work, collections and disbursements during the year.

SEC. 5. Each Board shall be composed of fifteen members, and five members shall constitute a quorum to do business,

SEC. 6. The President of Shaw University and the Instructor in the Theological Department shall be *ex officio* members of the Educational Board.

SEC. 7. These Boards shall meet twice during the year, or as often as may be necessary.

ARTICLE VI.

All officers, managers and missionaries of the Convention must be members in good standing in regular Baptist churches.

Article VII.

The funds of this Convention shall be educational and general. The first is to provide for ministerial education, the second for the payment of missionaries, home and foreign, and general expenses. These funds shall be kept distinct, and the money contributed to either must be applied to it. Unless otherwise directed, all money collected shall pass into the general fund.

Article VIII.

The officers of this Convention, shall be elected annually.

Article IX.

The Convention shall meet annually on Wednesday after the third Sunday in October.

Article X.

The Convention may change this Constitution, and at any annual meeting, by the vote of two-thirds of the delegates present.